

Oak Grove Farm Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2022

In attendance: Stephen MacInnes, Sue McAvoy, John McAvoy, Rob Elbery, Dave Werner

Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM

- Dave made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2022 meeting. John seconded. All in favor.
- Discussion on OGF Playground renovation project. This was part of an article at the November town meeting which was approved. There were 11 bids received for the project; the lowest of \$89,700.00 the highest of \$175,000. All bids are subject to the applicable bidding laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The bids received were discussed in general, with additional discussion on what the next steps are for this process to continue to move forward. John will check with the Town Administrator for the next steps in the process and who will be involved within the town.
- Last meeting (January 27, 2022) Nate Maltinsky discussed with OGFC a request from the Northeast Cavalry Association to have a Civil War Encampment, Mr. Maltinsky was informally representing the association. It was decided at that meeting that the OGFC would wait for an email request from the Northeast Cavalry Association for the request and additionally answers to questions that were raised by the OGFC at that meeting. That information was to be forwarded to them through Mr. Maltinsky. At this point in time we have not received that email.
- Discussion on requests for usage for the spring at OGF:
 - Millis Soccer Club – soccer field usage
 - Sparhawk Academy – baseball field usage
 - Girls Scouts – overnight camp out
 - Soccer camp in the summer
 - High school possible charity 5K run
 - Northeast Cavalry
- New request received for a possible use of back fields for disc golf for a week in very early spring. This is a new request for OGF and OGFC would need to know more details of time and space needed and what this would involve. Dave will reach out to the contact for further information.
- The commission further discussed the areas that need improvement along the trails of OGF throughout the property. Steve and Dave have walked and/or met with DPW representatives and as was stated before to the OGFC it was

reiterated that the DPW could help with labor but can't purchase the materials. A walk through of those areas in question was also completed with a member of the Conservation Committee, Ed Chisolm to get his perspective on the plans. It was suggested that areas to be worked on be staked so that the Conservation Committee may have the opportunity to look at these areas before one of their meetings. This staking and walk through would be a more informal process. The areas of possible work will be numbered, both by location and prioritizing by the level of need. A more formal process is to move forward to request OGFC be put on the agenda of the Conservation Commission at a future meeting to discuss next steps, permitting etc.

- The last 4 boardwalks for the trails have been brought over to OGF.
- Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM. John seconded. All in favor.
- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 24, 2022 at 6:30pm at Town Hall in Room 206.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Smith